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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Minutes of Meeting of Special Group (Augmented) on
Operation MONGOOSE, 16 August 1962

PRESENT: General Taylor, the Attorney General, Mr. Johnson,
Mr. Gilpatric, General Lemnitzer, Mr. McCone,
Mr. Murrow, Mr. Bundy, General Lansdale

1. The outline plan now known as Alternate Course B, submitted with General Lansdale's memorandum of 14 August, was accepted by the Group as a basis for subsequent detailed planning, except for the fact that paragraph IV.E., referring to the use of Guantanamo for covert operations, was deleted. 16
6(1)(C)

Mr. Bundy had some question about paragraph IV.B., with respect to submarine activity, and there was considerable discussion as to the implications of paragraph IV.D., on sabotage. 6(1)(C)16

The Group agreed, however, that paragraphs A., B., C., and D. under IV were accepted in principle, with the understanding that major actions under these general concepts would be approved by the Special Group (Augmented).

In connection with the latter point, it was emphasized that such approval should be obtained from the Group far enough in advance so as to obviate extensive preparations and planning for operations which might not actually receive policy approval.

2. General Taylor then distributed a draft of new guidelines for Operation MONGOOSE, Phase II, and a draft of a covering memorandum for the President. The latter was approved by the Group as presented. With respect to the guidelines, paragraph 4 was amended to read "Efforts will be increased to inspire frictions and schisms . . ." In addition, it was agreed that a new paragraph would be added to cover the possibility of assisting Cuban exile groups and other Latin American governments in undertaking actions and operations in support of this program.

3. It was agreed that after the new guidelines and covering memorandum are approved by higher authority, General Lansdale will prepare detailed schedules of proposed operations for presentation to the Special Group (Augmented).

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cc: General Lansdale

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